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MEMORANDUM

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TO:

Carmen Iacullo

Deputy Commissioner

Department of Transportation

FROM:

Naren M. Prasad

Coordinator of Research & Evaluation

Department of Environment

SUBJECT:

316 E. Illinois St.

Right-of-Way Agreement

DATE:

October 20, 1999

Enclosed is the Right-of-Way Agreement ("Agreement") for the rights-of-way adjacent to 316 E. Illinois St., Chicago, Illinois ("Site"), specifically, portions of Grand Ave., Illinois St., McClurg Ct. and Columbus Dr. as specified in Attachment D of the Agreement. Areas of these rights-of-way have been confirmed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety as being impacted by radioactive thorium residuals likely from gas mantel manufacturing at the site in the 1920's and 1930's.

The impacted material at the site itself has been disposed of, material beneath the adjacent rights-of-way could not be readily excavated and was left in place (see Attachment E of the Agreement). All of the adjacent rights-of-way are subject to the Agreement and its restrictions relating to subsurface access in order to provide maximum protection of human health and the environment.

As with previous Agreements, the Department of Environment ("DOE") is forwarding this information to you to log into your Department's permit database and to circulate to the Board of Underground so that utility personnel. Will have the appropriate information to ensure that proper health and safety precautions are taken.

Pursuant to Condition 10(a) of the Agreement, DOE is requesting that the following be logged into your Department's permit database:

"Radiation surveillance must be performed during excavation or other work that disturbs or exposes the soil beneath the designated right-of way."

Thank you in advance for your assistance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 4-5711.

cc:

Peggy Shilney, Department of Transportation

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